2SSB 6312 - H AMD TO APP COMM AMD (H-4412.2/14) 891 By Representative Cody

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1 On page 2, line 33 of the striking amendment, after "physical" 2 insert "and behavioral health" 3 On page 5, beginning on line 22 of the striking amendment, after 5 "74.09 RCW" strike all material through "integrated in" on line 24 and 6 insert "to promote access to the services of chemical dependency under chapter 18.205 7 professionals RCW and mental 8 professionals, as defined by the department in rule, for the purpose 9 of integrating such services into" 10 On page 12, line 28 of the striking amendment, after "purpose" 11 12 strike "and the terms of their contract" and insert ", the terms of 13 their contract, and federal requirements for coverage of medicaid 14 funded services" 15 16 On page 24, line 1 of the striking amendment, after "without" 17 insert "a contract," 18 19 On page 24, line 2 of the striking amendment, after 20 "certification" insert "," 21

EFFECT: Specifies that the Adult Behavioral Health Task Force must consider incentives for behavioral health care providers, in addition to physical health care providers, to use community resources to reduce utilization of the criminal justice system.

Specifies that behavioral health and recovery organization contracts with Medicaid managed care systems must promote access, rather than provide access, to certified chemical dependency professionals and mental health professionals, as determined by the Department of

Social and Health Services in rule.

Limits the flexibility of behavioral health and recovery organizations to design their mix of services to require that they include coverage of services funded by Medicaid.

Prohibits an entity from operating a behavioral health services organization without a contract, in addition to the prohibition on operating an organization without a certification or license.

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